



# *Panzer Ace!* At Claymore 2005

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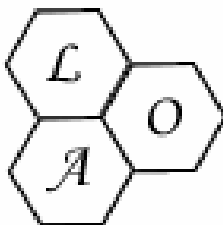


*Panzer Ace* is a very fast tank based shoot 'em up game in which all the Players are on the same side and compete with each other to score the highest number of 'kills' over five game turns (roughly 30 minutes). The bad guys are played by the Umpire whose job it is to make the game unpredictable, exciting and most of all, fun. There are options to have the Axis or the Allies as the good guys and during the action you may encounter enemy tanks, infantry and even aircraft as well as soft targets such as jeeps, trucks and half tracks. Most of the time you will not see the enemy until you have made the decision to move and then it's a test of skill to see who shoots first!

The basic idea for *Panzer Ace* came when I wanted to run a short public participation game at SKELP in 2004. I knew it had to be fast (as people don't want to be tied to a table too long) and attractive to play. Since I then the ideas and mechanisms have become more developed. This has led to an even faster game than before. I demo-ed it at *Historicon* in the USA this summer where it was very popular with players. It is being run again at *Cold Wars* later this year. If you wanted to play it at home or at your local club then you do not need a huge number of vehicles and lots of terrain to play, just a basic set up. It can even be run solo.

Today I am running two different scenarios one based around late Autumn 1944 in Northern Italy with a largely British force facing the Germans and the other in Winter of 1944 in the Ardennes where SS panzers thrust into American positions around Bastogne. The scenarios will each take 30 minutes and accommodate up to six players. There are prizes for the TOP SCORING *Panzer Ace's* of the day. The games will be run alternately from 1020 am at about 45 minutes intervals for the whole day.

IF YOU WANT TO PLAY JUST ASK ME OR PUT YOUR NAME ON THE NEXT SCHEDULE FOR THE SCENARIO WHICH YOU PREFER. THE TIME SHOULD BE NOTED THERE SO THAT YOU CAN COME BACK TO THE TABLE AT THE BEST TIME.



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